

CODE OF CONDUCT

“Sports teaches you character, it teaches you to play by the rules, it teaches you to know what it feels like to win and lose-it teaches you about life.”

- Billie Jean King



OUR HOUSE RULES

SPORTSMANSHIP. InnerCity Tennis expects good sportsmanship from all staff, volunteers and players: yelling, swearing, racquet abuse and ball abuse will not be tolerated. Sarcastic behavior can also easily be interpreted as poor sportsmanship. Remember that others, including children, may be watching on-court behavior and we must, as a tennis community, model the highest level of character.

RESPECT. Show respect for other customers, teaching professionals and desk staff.

TIME. Please arrive in time to take care of business with the front desk and wait in the lobby until your scheduled court time. Before your court time is up, gather gear and leave promptly so as not to interfere with the next scheduled users of the court.

LEARN THE RULES OF TENNIS, especially these most often misunderstood:

1. Lets must be called while the ball is still in play, not after the point is over
2. Call “outs” only on your side of the net, unless asked for by opponent
3. Double bounces or touching the net are called on yourself, not on opponent
4. For the ball to be out:
 - You must be 100% certain that the ball was out
 - You need to make the call right after the ball bounces
5. If partners disagree on an out call, then the ball is good
6. Make sure that you and your opponent know the score
7. Know your in-house league rules provided by your league coordinator